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Petition for One-month Extension of Time under 37 CFR §1.136(a)(1)

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Rejection dated 09/15/2004, applicants petition that the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory response period be extended by one month so as to be due on 01/15/2005.

Applicants request that the charge for this one-month extension, as set forth in CFR §1.17(a), be charged against Deposit Account 04-0525. Two duplicates of this page are enclosed.

Respectfully,

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